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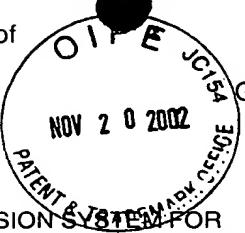
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In re Patent Application of

O'BRIEN et al

Serial No. 09/043,406

Filed: March 18, 1998

Title: SERVICE PROVISION SYSTEM FOR
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Group Art Unit: 3623

Examiner: Robinson Boyce, A.

Date: November 20, 2002

Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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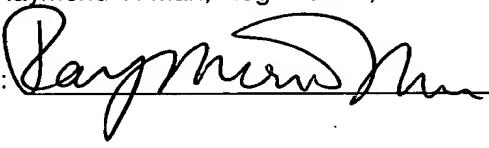
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In response to the non-final Office Action dated June 4, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. Currently, claims 44-48 and 50-60 are pending in this application.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103:

Claims 45-49 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)¹ as allegedly being anticipated by Babayev et al (U.S. '121, hereinafter "Babayev"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

¹ As discussed in the Amendment/Response filed February 4, 2002, Applicant submits that the Examiner's indication that Babayev et al qualifies as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is believed to be erroneous.